constantly increasing due to ever rising infiltration of Bangladeshis ; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a) Population of Tripura has been increasing at a rate Higher than the national average. It is, however, difficult to estimate precisely how much of the increase is on account of infiltration from Bangladesh. Growth of population affects the land-man ratio anywhere in the country including Tripura.

(b) Government's policy in this regard is to prevent the entry of the infiltrators and, where they have found entry, to detect and deport them.

Issue of identity cards

2141. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that in many countries multi-purpose identity cards have been issued to citizens ; and

(b) if so, whether Government propose to issue multi-purpose identity cards to the citizens ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M.M. JACOB) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Identity cards are being issued in specified border areas of the States of Rajasthan and Gujarat with a view to register bonafide residents, to collect reliable information regarding status of residents and to check movement of visitors who stay for more than thirty days.

Shelter to Kashmiri migrants

2142. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in the Kashmir Times dated the 25th June, 1992 under the caption 'Migrants without Cover in Jheree Camp' ; and

(b) if so, what steps Government have taken or propose to take to provide adequate shelter to the affected migrants ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI M. M. JACOB) : (a) and (b) In Jheree Camp for Kashmiri migrants, 427 complete tents, 167 outer-flies and 42 inner-flies needing replacement have been replaced. The tents procured for Camps in Jammu Region during the last one year were of standard quality and 1,000 of them were made by the Ordnance Factory. Jheree Camp has regularly been visited by the senior officers of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir and there is a regular interaction with the representatives of the camps. Sanctioned relief to the eligible camp inmates has also been provided.

Migration from J&K to Pakistan

2143. SHRI SHABBIR AHMAD SALARIA : Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the newsitem which appeared in Kashmir Times, Jammu of the 26th March and 29th